

## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## OFFICE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY

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The Honorable Larry LeDoux Commissioner of Education Department of Education and Early Development 801 West 10th Street, Suite 200 Juneau, Alaska 99801-1894

Dear Commissioner LeDoux:

I am writing in response to Alaska's request to waive the following regulatory requirement of Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA). After reviewing Alaska's request, I am pleased to grant the following waiver:

Approving schools or local educational agencies (LEAs) identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring as supplemental educational services (SES) providers. I am granting a one-year waiver of 34 C.F.R. § 200.47(b)(1)(iv)(A) and (B) to permit Alaska to approve a school or LEA identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring to serve as an SES provider in the 2010–2011 school year.

This waiver is granted on the following condition:

- Alaska will submit to the Department, by September 30, 2011, a report that includes:
  - The total number of LEAs identified for improvement or corrective action that were approved to be an SES provider for the 2010–2011 school year; and
  - The total number of schools identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring that were approved to be an SES provider for the 2010–2011 school year.

I appreciate the work you are doing to improve your schools and provide a high-quality education for your students. If you have any questions, please contact Zollie Stevenson, Director of Student Achievement and School Accountability Programs (SASA), at (202) 260-0826.

Sincerely

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